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NPIC/TSSG/RED-1829-69
29 September 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Photographic Interpretation Center

SUBJECT : Proposed Contract with [REDACTED]

1. This memorandum contains a request for approval for the commitment of funds for a contract. The specific request is stated in Paragraph 7.

2. The viewing equipment utilized by the photo interpreters within NPIC features either a manual drive system or the [REDACTED] motorized drive system. The manual systems require time and effort to operate, whereas the present motorized systems are underpowered, noisy and induce vibrations in the viewing table. [REDACTED] has demonstrated a superior drive system on their Model B Light Table which was evaluated by NPIC in May 1969. This drive system did not exhibit any appreciable vibration, noise, lack of power or control. A [REDACTED] MIM #4 Light Table (10" x 40" Split Format) equipped with a similar drive system is expected to improve the efficiency of the photo interpreter by reducing an element of distraction (noise), by increasing the speed of the operation (by increasing the slow speed of the film and reducing the time required to position a frame of photography), and by reducing eye fatigue (by reducing table vibrations).

3. The proposed project is to equip a [REDACTED] MIM #4 Light Table with an [REDACTED] motorized drive system. The [REDACTED] System will be designed in a modular form, so that production versions can be purchased as a kit to be mounted upon existing or future MIM #4 Light Tables at about the same cost as [REDACTED] Motorized System. NPIC will supply [REDACTED] with a Government furnished MIM #4 Light Table. [REDACTED] will use the table to design the packaging of their drive system so that it can be easily installed in the field. They will return the table with the new drive system on it. The technical risk on this project is minimal since the basic drive system design has been tried and proven.

4. [REDACTED] was selected as a sole source to perform this task because of the proprietary nature of the drive system design. [REDACTED] design will permit NPIC to equip the [REDACTED] Light Table with a superior drive system at a cost which is competitive with the [REDACTED] designed system. The proposed project has been coordinated through [REDACTED].

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SUBJECT: Proposed Contract with [REDACTED]

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5. The [REDACTED] Modification will be tested and evaluated by NPIC. Upon final acceptance the retrofit drive system kit can be made available for procurement as a shelf item. The estimated cost of the kit is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

7. It is requested that the negotiation with [REDACTED] for a contract to conduct the program described at a cost not to exceed [REDACTED] be approved.

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Chief, Technical Services & Support Group,
NPIC

APPROVED:

ARTHUR C. LUNDHAL

Date

Director

National Photographic Interpretation Center

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TO: Caleen RED/SDB		
ROOM NO.	BUILDING	
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FROM: Joyce		
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FORM NO. 241 1 FEB 55		
REPLACES FORM 36-8 WHICH MAY BE USED.		

OFFICE/DIVISION NPIC/TALC/RED	REQUEST NO. 5500-6060-70	DATE OF REQUEST 6 August 1969	I CERTIFY THAT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF [REDACTED] AVAILABLE [REDACTED] SIGNATURE OF BUDGET OFFICER [REDACTED] DATE [REDACTED]
PROJECT TITLE Film Transport System Kit	PROJECT OR CONTACT OFFICER [REDACTED]	EXTENSION [REDACTED]	
CONTRACTOR (if known) [REDACTED]	PROPOSAL NO. AND DATE 7 June 1969	CONTRACT & TASK ORDER NO. (if known) N/A	
TYPE OF SERVICE REQUESTED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RESEARCH/DEV <input type="checkbox"/> GRANT <input type="checkbox"/> REPAIR <input type="checkbox"/> MAINTENANCE <input type="checkbox"/> MODIFICATION <input type="checkbox"/> STERILITY		APPLICABLE ONLY TO REPAIRS AND MODIFICATIONS TECHNICAL INSPECTION IS REQUIRED BY <input type="checkbox"/> RECEIVING DEPOT T & I <input type="checkbox"/> TECHNICAL MONITOR <input type="checkbox"/> ITEMS TO BE PICKED UP OR <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICES PERFORMED AT: ITEMS TO BE REDELIVERED TO:	
TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO OTHER GOVT. AGENCY (specify if applicable)			
CONTRACT CLASSIFICATION [REDACTED]	WORK CLASSIFICATION Unclassified	HARDWARE CLASSIFICATION Unclassified	REPORTS CLASSIFICATION Unclassified
SHORT SUBSTANTIVE TITLE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE TO BE PERFORMED			

The Contractor will reconfigure a film drive system so that it can easily be mounted on a Government furnished [REDACTED] MIM 4 Light Table. The Contractor will then return the light table with the new drive system mounted on it.

(See reverse for specific information required on R&D requests.)

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1. JUSTIFICATION FOR SOURCE

25X1 [] has designed and built a relatively simple and inexpensive film drive system which has been tested by NPIC and found to work very well. This contract is for the reconfiguration of this drive system to fit a different light table. Because of the proprietary nature of the basic design, no other source was solicited for the work.

2. PROPOSAL

Attached

3. DELIVERABLE ITEMS

REPORTS REQUIRED

NO. OF COPIES

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MONTHLY

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INTERIM

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QUARTERLY

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FINAL

HARDWARE (state type and number)

OTHER

A film drive system consisting of four drive motors with proper controls.

4. GFE REQUIRED

25X1 [] MIM 4 Light Table
1000 Ft. Roll of 70mm Film and empty spools

5. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

In the contractors proposal, section 4.1 of the Technical Description, the motorized dual film strand should be deleted (NPIC may only be able to provide a non-motorized version). In this case, NPIC will assist in evaluating the MIM #4 Light Table Motorized Drives (Section 6.0).

Final acceptance at the contractors facility is unacceptable (Section 7.1 of the Technical Description)

Sections 1.2, 2, 1.2.3 and 1.2.8 of the cost proposal are rather unusual and should be points for negotiation.

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